

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Atty. Docket: KATSUKI2

In re Application of:)	Conf. No.: 8366
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Hisakazu KATSUKI et al.)	Art Unit: 1616
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Appln. No. 10/588,609)	Examiner: Sabiha N. Qazi
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PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.103(a)

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Applicant, by the undersigned, respectfully requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103 (a) for the subject application. The request is for suspension of action for three months.

This petition is submitted along with a response to the outstanding Office Action of August 9, 2007, so that no further response is due from applicant.

Suspension of action is requested in order to provide additional time for the inventors to conduct experiments for a declaration demonstrating that the claimed invention is not obvious over the cited references. The six month period for response expires February 9, 2008, and it is

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not possible to complete the experiments by that time, and applicants do not wish to have the examiner issue a final rejection before the declaration can be submitted.

The petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g) is submitted herewith by credit card payment.

Granting of this petition is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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